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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger

Assistant to the President for

National Security Affairs

SUBJECT

: South Vietnamese Political

Action Suggestions

Attached for your consideration is a memorandum entitled "Suggestions for Strengthening the Government of South Vietnam." It is largely the product of the mind, pen -- and experience -- of one of my immediate associates, who helped put together our 30 September response to your 28 September questions. This officer has resided in Vietnam for close to a decade, during which he wrote an outstanding record of professional achievement and developed a superb insight into the realities and nuances of South Vietnamese politics. He has a first class feel for the subtle rhythms of the Vietnamese political pulse and a keen eye for what is feasible or useful in Vietnam as opposed to what reads well in Washington.

George A. Carver,

Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs

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